## U.S. EMBASSY PARIS, FRANCE CURRENT TERRORIST THREAT INFORMATION

This Warden Message alerts U.S. citizens to the latest information on the current terrorist threat in France.

French government officials have commented in the media in recent days about the potential for a terrorist attack in France and have said law enforcement authorities have assumed a heightened security posture. The French Ministry of Interior publicly confirmed reports that security officials are investigating relevant threat information. The Government of France's new threat rating system, "Vigipirate," is currently at red, the second-highest of four levels. In times of heightened security concerns, the French government augments police with armed forces, and increases visibility at high-profile locations. The Embassy maintains close communication with French law enforcement officials. At this time, we have no credible information about specific threats against U.S. interests or individuals. The Department of State continues to encourage U.S. citizens overseas to maintain a high level of vigilance and to take appropriate steps to increase their security awareness.

As the Department of State continues to develop information on potential security threats to U.S. citizens overseas, it shares credible threat information through its Consular Information Program, including the most recent Worldwide Caution.

The <u>U.S. Embassy in Paris</u> can be reached at 01-43-12-22-22. For the latest security information, U.S. citizens living and traveling abroad should regularly monitor the Department's <u>Bureau of Consular Affairs</u> <u>website</u>, where current Country Specific Information, Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts, and the Worldwide Caution can be found.

Up-to-date information on security can also be obtained by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the U.S. and Canada; callers outside the U.S. and Canada can call a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays).

U.S. citizens living or traveling in France or Monaco are encouraged to register with the nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate through the <u>State Department's travel registration website</u> to obtain updated information on travel and security within France and Monaco. U.S. citizens without Internet access may register directly with the nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate. By registering, U.S. citizens make it easier for the Embassy or Consulate to contact them in cases of emergency.

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